



File Code: 1950  
Date: November 19, 2019

Dear Interested Party,

The Forest Service is initiating an environmental analysis to decommission the Beaver Meadows Campground on the Marienville Ranger District of the Allegheny National Forest. We are proposing to (1) remove the storage building, toilet buildings, playground equipment, campsite equipment, internal gates, the gate at campground entrance, pay phone, and buried utility lines; (2) decommission all roads within the campground including all spur roads to individual campsites; and (3) plug all water wells. The campground is located in Warrant 3185, Jenks Township, Forest County, Pennsylvania, approximately 4 miles north of Marienville, Pennsylvania and lies within Management Area 3.0–Even-aged Management (see attached map).

You are receiving this letter because you have expressed interest in projects on the Allegheny National Forest or are a subsurface mineral owner in the area of the campground. This information is also posted on the Allegheny National Forest website at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=57181>.

I am interested in hearing your concerns, issues, or suggestions you have regarding this project. Please review the proposal and respond with site-specific comments about the proposed activities along with supporting information and rationale you believe will help identify issues that need to be addressed. I will consider all your comments and determine whether we need to refine the proposed action or develop alternative ways to accomplish our objectives.

This project is subject to the pre-decisional objection review process pursuant to subparts A and B of 36 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 218. This comment period serves as a scoping period for the project and as one of two planned designated periods for public comment that will provide opportunity for objection eligibility. For your scoping comments to be most useful, please submit them no later than December 20, 2019. The comments submitted should meet the requirements identified in 36 CFR 218. Comments received in response to this solicitation, including the names and addresses of those who comment, will be part of the public record for this project. There will be a second official formally designated public comment period later for receiving comments on the environmental assessment, in which you can also establish eligibility to object.

Written, facsimile, hand-delivered, oral, and electronic comments will be considered. Comments received, including names and addresses of those who submitted comments, will be considered as part of the public record and will be available for public inspection.

- **Mail:** Robert T. Fallon, District Ranger, Marienville Ranger District, 131 Smokey Lane, Marienville, PA 16239
- **Fax:** (814) 927-2285
- **Email:** [comments-eastern-allegheny-marienville@usda.gov](mailto:comments-eastern-allegheny-marienville@usda.gov). Electronic comments must



be submitted in plain text (.txt), rich text format (.rtf), portable document format (.pdf) Word (.doc or .docx), or any other format supported by Microsoft Office applications. Please enter the project name (*Beaver Meadows Campground Decommissioning project*) on the subject line and include your name and physical mailing address with your comments.

- **Hand-delivered and verbal comments** may be submitted at the Marienville Ranger District, 131 Smokey Lane, Marienville, PA 16239 or by calling (814) 927-5700 during normal business hours. Normal business hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

Thank you for your continued interest in these projects. Questions regarding the proposed project can be directed to Kevin Treese, Planning Team Leader, at (814) 927-5759 or [ktreese@fs.fed.us](mailto:ktreese@fs.fed.us). I look forward to having you engaged in this process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Rob Fallon", with a stylized flourish above the name.

ROB FALLON  
District Ranger